

## Non-Precedent Decision of the Administrative Appeals Office

In Re: 7955817 Date: MAR. 31, 2020

Appeal of Nebraska Service Center Decision

Form I-140, Immigrant Petition for Alien Worker (Extraordinary Ability)

The Petitioner, a fashion and costume designer, seeks classification as an individual of extraordinary ability. *See* Immigration and Nationality Act (the Act) section 203(b)(1)(A), 8 U.S.C. § 1153(b)(1)(A). This first preference classification makes immigrant visas available to those who can demonstrate their extraordinary ability through sustained national or international acclaim and whose achievements have been recognized in their field through extensive documentation.

The Director of the Nebraska Service Center denied the petition, determining that the Petitioner did not provide evidence of a one-time achievement, or, in the alternative, evidence that she satisfied at least three of ten initial evidentiary criteria for this classification.

On appeal, the Petitioner does not acknowledge or address the grounds for denial of the petition or contend that the petition was denied based on any error on the part of the Director. Rather, the Petitioner submits a brief from counsel that was copied verbatim from counsel's July 10, 2019 letter submitted in response to a request for evidence (RFE).

The regulation at 8 C.F.R. § 103.3(a)(1)(v) states, in pertinent part that "[a]n officer to whom an appeal is taken shall summarily dismiss any appeal when the party concerned fails to identify specifically any erroneous conclusion of law or statement of fact for the appeal."

Here, the Petitioner has not contested any aspect of the Director's decision and has not identified an erroneous conclusion of law or statement of fact on the part of the Director as a basis for the appeal. Therefore, the appeal will be summarily dismissed.

We note that the Director's eleven-page decision adequately addressed the evidence submitted with respect to each of the claimed evidentiary criteria at 8 C.F.R. § 204.5(h)(3)(i)-(ix) and explained why such evidence was insufficient to meet the Petitioner's burden. Further, the decision reflects that the Director took into consideration the Petitioner's response to the RFE, which is now re-submitted on appeal in lieu of a brief addressing the denial decision. The Petitioner was therefore given a sufficient explanation of the grounds for denial as required by 8 C.F.R. § 103.3(a)(1)(i), and a fair opportunity to contest the decision. We agree with the Director's determination that the Petitioner did not establish eligibility for the benefit sought.

In these proceedings, it is the Petitioner's burden to establish eligibility for the requested benefit. *See* Section 291 of the Act, 8 U.S.C. § 1361. As the petitioner has not identified an erroneous conclusion of law or statement of fact in support of the appeal, the appeal must be summarily dismissed.

**ORDER**: The appeal is summarily dismissed.